

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF BROWN COUNTY BOARD MEETING**

**April 25, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Patricia Finder-Stone, Bev Bartlett, Mary Johnson, Linda Mamrosh, Arlie Doxtater, Randy Johnson, Mary Derginer, Tom Smith, Sam Warpinski, Eileen Littig, Dennis Rader, Megan Borchardt

**EXCUSED:** Deborah Lundberg, Amy Payne

**ABSENT:**

**ALSO PRESENT:** Laurie Ropson, Christel Giesen, Kristin Willems, Denise Misovec, Kimberly Gould, Deb Wiesner

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Finder-Stone at 8:30 a.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

**ADOPTIONS OF AGENDA:**

Ms. Littig/Mr. Johnson moved to adopt the agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2019:**

Mr. Smith/Mr. Doxtater moved to approve the minutes for the March 28, 2019 Meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

**FINANCE REPORT:**

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MARCH 2019 FINANCE REPORT:**

Ms. Bowers referred to the March, 2019 Financial Highlights and ADRC Summary Report to demonstrate the expenses and revenues for March, 2019.

Supervisor Borchardt/Ms. Johnson moved to approve March, 2019 Financial Highlights and ADRC Financial Summary. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**REVIEW OF DONOR DIRECTED DONATIONS:**

Ms. Bowers referred to the March, 2019 Donor Directed Donations report to highlight the new directed donations and expenses in March 2019.

**MONROE PLAZA- CLOSURE REQUEST:**

Ms. Gould explained that the ADRC has received formal receipt of notice for closure of the Monroe Plaza congregate meal site. The last day is on May 31, 2019. As per procedure the ADRC is required to submit a request for closure to GWAAR and to the ADRC Board of Directors for approval.

Ms. Littig/Supervisor Borchardt moved to approve the dining closure submission as submitted to GWAAR. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**DIRECTORS REPORT:**

**A. MEETING WITH REP NYGREN AND UPCOMING JOINT FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Ms. Christianson shared that a new advocacy coalition has been created. Six people from the advocacy coalition met with Joint Committee Finance Co-Chair, Representative Nygren. Ms. Christianson said that the group was able to walk through the position papers and concerns that they had. Rep. Nygren was clear regarding his opposition to Medicaid expansion identifying it as a "deal breaker" a topic not open for discussion. Rep. Nygren and his aid were open to listen to other topics and took the position papers on topics such as the Elderly Benefit Specialist, the caregiver shortage, transportation and isolation and loneliness. Ms. Christianson shared that it was impactful especially in regard to the Caregiver crisis. These topics were also reinforced at the Joint Committee on Finance public hearing. Ms. Christianson shared that there were many people there to speak at the Joint Finance Committee and it went on into the evening. Ms. Christianson shared that hot topics this year include education and the environment. Ms. Christianson felt that the voice of older adults and

adults with disabilities were not heavily represented at the public hearings. Additional conversation ensued. Ms. Christianson explained that if the state budget is held up or delayed, the ADRC would continue with the budget as is, that would not address additional costs or needs. Chairperson Finder-Stone explained that is not too late for people to contact their representatives and legislators to share their thoughts and concerns.

**B. PROGRESS ON MISSION AND VALUES:**

Ms. Christianson thanked board members that attended the All-Agency meeting where the Tenet Team collected answers from staff and board members to 5 questions that would assist in narrowing down the categories for the updated Mission and Values. Ms. Christianson shared that that she will ask Mr. Gracyalny to attend a future board meeting as well.

**C. NET ASSET PLAN AMENDMENT-DRAFT:**

Ms. Christianson shared that she has been recently investigating how best to engage ADRC donors and how it would impact government funding etc. The ADRC has recently been notified by an attorney representing a family trust that the ADRC has been named as a beneficiary to receive a legacy gift. Ms. Christianson shared that she does not have details yet, but this may be an exciting opportunity for the ADRC. Ms. Christianson stated that she will be meeting with the Community Foundation to explore the possibility to create an agency fund. Ms. Christianson referred to the Net Asset Plan draft document. In order to honor the intentions for legacy giving or private donations given to the ADRC, Ms. Christianson proposes to add the following verbiage to the net asset plan:

*"Legacy Giving/Private Donations: Funds that are donated to the ADRC by a private donor (legacy giving or funds in excess of \$1,000) intended for general purpose use of the agency (future planning/innovation) will automatically be assigned to Unrestricted: Unassigned and would not be considered as part of the 50% excess funds returned to Brown County.*

*If a donor wants the funds designated specifically for a purpose, they would be categorized in Unrestricted: Assigned."*

Ms. Johnson/Mr. Rader moved to approve the Amendment to the Net Asset Plan. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**STAFF REPORT: LAURIE ROPSON:**

Ms. Ropson referred to the 2018 Annual Report handout to show some of the highlights from 2018. Ms. Ropson then introduced Deb Wiesner (Community Outreach Specialist). Ms. Wiesner provided an update to the board of the initiatives and goals that she is working toward to include:

- Focus on nutrition needs for rural Brown County communities
- Creation of "ADRC on the Go" program which brings a meal and an event or program to other locations and communities. First one was held at the YMCA. There will be 3 additional presentations at the East and West side Y's this year.
- Branding of the De Pere congregate dining site to "Grant Street Landing" in increase congregate dining numbers.
- 5/9/19 launch of "Mind-Bogglers" presentation with a meal in De Pere.
- Traveling to communities with the Brown County Book Mobile
- Bringing Brain Check Ups to Wrightstown Music in the Park

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:**

Ms. Christianson shared that the governor's budget is still "up in the air".

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Ms. Christianson invited the board to the May 1, 2019 press event to show case community partnerships focusing on Health and Wellness in Brown County.

**NEXT MEETING** – ADRC- 300 S. Adams St. May 23, 2019 at 8:30 AM.

**ADJOURN:**

Mr. Rader/Supervisor Borchardt moved to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kristin Willems,  
Administrative Services Coordinator